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## Viewing cable 09STATE52767, C/NF) ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUEST: PARAGUAY'S

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## **Understanding cables**

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cables unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
- The bottom box presents the body of the cable. The opening can contain a more specific subject, references to other cables (<u>browse by origin</u> to find them) or additional comment. This is followed by the main contents of the cable: a summary, a collection of specific topics and a comment section.

To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this <u>WikiSource</u> article as reference.

## **Discussing cables**

If you find meaningful or important information in a cable, please link directly to its unique reference number. Linking to a specific paragraph in the body of a cable is also possible by copying the appropriate link (to be found at theparagraph symbol). Please mark messages for social networking services like Twitter with the hash tags **#cablegate** and a hash containing the reference ID e.g. **#09STATE52767**.

Reference IDCreatedReleasedClassificationOrigin09STATE527672009-05-22 14:442011-08-30 01:44CONFIDENTIAL//NOFORNSecretary of StateAppears in these articles:

www.abc.com.py/nota/eua-asegura-que-lugo-presiono-y-autorizo-uso-del-comando-de-ingenieria-para-mitin-de-la-izquierda

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VZCZCXYZ0006 RR RUEHWEB

DE RUEHC #2767 1421457 ZNY CCCCC ZZH R 221444Z MAY 09 FM SECSTATE WASHDC TO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION 0724

id: 208372 date: 5/22/2

date: 5/22/2009 14:44 refid: 09STATE52767

origin: Secretary of State

classification: CONFIDENTIAL//NOFORN destination: 09ASUNCION222 | 09ASUNCION259

header: VZCZCXYZ0006 RR RUEHWEB DE RUEHC #2767 1421457 ZNY CCCCC ZZH R 221444Z MAY 09 FM SECSTATE WASHDC TO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION 0724

----- header ends C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 052767 NOFORN STPDTS E.O. 12958: DECL: 05/22/2034 TAGS: PINR PGOV PREL PA SUBJECT: (C/NF) ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUEST: PARAGUAY'S POLITICAL SITUATION AND NEW FOREIGN MINISTER (C-AL9-01126) REF: A. ASUNCION 000259 **1B.** ASUNCION 000222 Classified By: SUZANNE MCCORMICK, DIR., INR/OPS. REASON: 1.4(C). 11. (C/NF) SENIOR POLICYMAKERS ARE INTERESTED IN POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN PARAGUAY IN LIGHT OF RECENT POLITICAL INSTABILITY AND CABINET CHANGES. WASHINGTON ANALYSTS APPRECIATE REPORTING TO DATE ON LUGO'S TRAVAILS AND THEIR IMPACT SO FAR ON PARAGUAY, S POLITICAL CLIMATE AND FOREIGN POLICY. ANALYSTS WOULD APPRECIATE POST'S ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS AND TOPICS BELOW, AS TIME AND RESOURCES PERMIT. IF POST'S ANSWERS ARE RECEIVED BY 6/05/2009, ANALYSTS WILL BE ABLE TO INCORPORATE THEM INTO FINISHED ANALYTIC PRODUCTS FOR SENIOR US POLICYMAKERS IN THE JUNE-JULY TIMEFRAME. MANY THANKS FOR POST'S CONTINUALLY EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF PARAGUAYAN POLITICS, AND BEST REGARDS FROM WASHINGTON. 1A. (C) ANALYSTS APPRECIATED REF A, WHICH PROVIDED VALUABLE INSIGHT INTO FOREIGN MINISTER LACOGNATA. REPORTING ON THE NATURE OF LACOGNATA'S RELATIONSHIP WITH VENEZUELA AND ANY ACTIVITIES LACOGNATA HAS HELPED ORGANIZE IN PARAGUAY FOR VENEZUELA WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL. 1B. (C) WHAT HAS LUGO SAID PRIVATELY TO US DIPLOMATS ABOUT

- 1B. (C) WHAT HAS LUGO SAID PRIVATELY TO US DIPLOMATS ABOUT HIS ATTENDANCE TO THE ALBA SUMMIT IN VENEZUELA JUST BEFORE THE SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS? HAS LUGO EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN JOINING ALBA, AND IF SO, WHAT IS HIS TIMELINE FOR PARTICIPATING?
- 1C. (C) WHAT IS THE NATURE OF PARAGUAYAN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ADVISOR GUSTAVO CODAS' RELATIONSHIP WITH VENEZUELAN LEADERS?
- 1D. (C) ANALYSTS APPRECIATE POST'S INSIGHT INTO THE DYNAMICS OF LUGO'S &ALLIANCE FOR CHANGES COALITION, SUCH AS IN REF B, AND WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUED COVERAGE OF LUGO AND HIS ADVISORS' STRATEGY FOR PROMOTING COALITION UNITY.
- 12. (U) PLEASE CITE C-AL9-01126 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. CLINTON